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George Finnegan
West Desert Granite LC
12430 South Redwood Road
P.O. Box 1178
Riverton, Utah 84065

Subject: Unauthorized Activities, West Desert Granite LC, RDS 502 Mine, M/023/0067, Juab County, Utah

Dear Mr. Finnegan:

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining inspected the West Desert Mine on October 17, 2013, and noted explosive magazines on site and evidence of recent blasting activities.

West Desert Granite LC has approval from the Division to conduct mining and reclamation activities at this site, but the BLM has not authorized mining or exploration. The BLM can take action against the party that conducted the blasting.

The Notice of Intention for this site is still in the name of West Desert Granite. The transfer application received March 6, 2013, was not approved, so Zadok Ventures LLC does not have authorization to conduct mining or exploration at the site. If Zadok Ventures LLC is acting as a contract miner for West Desert Granite and conducting mining or exploration, you may be subject to enforcement action by the BLM.

If you have any questions in this regard please contact me at 801-538-5261 or Wayne Western, at 801-538-5263.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker
Minerals Program Manager

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